Adult Cardiac, General Thoracic and Congenital Heart Database Participant Roles and Descriptions

A VALID EMAIL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL STS NATIONAL DATABASE ROLES

The **Surgeon Representative** is identified by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons as the lead surgeon representative signing the Participant Agreement on behalf of the Surgeon Participant(s). Only one physician can be assigned the role of Surgeon Representative. A surgeon in this role also assumes the role and description of a Participant Surgeon.

The **Participant Surgeon** is identified by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons as a participating surgeon whose data will be submitted to the STS National Database. ALL SURGEONS, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF THE SURGEON REPRESENTATIVE, ARE TO BE IDENTIFIED ON THE CONTACT FORM AS "PARTICIPANT SURGEON". The Participant Surgeon signs the Schedule A surgeon signature sheet below the Surgeon Representative. The Data Warehouse permits more than one Participant Surgeon per facility.

The **Anesthesiologist Representative** is identified by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons as the lead anesthesiologist signing the Participant Agreement on behalf of the Anesthesiologist Participant(s). Only one physician can be assigned the role of Anesthesiologist Representative. An anesthesiologist in this role also assumes the roles and description of an Anesthesiologist Participant.

The **Anesthesiologist Participant** is identified by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons as a participating anesthesiologist whose data will be submitted to the STS National Database. ALL ANESTHESIOLOGSTS, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF THE ANESTHESIOLOGIST REPRESENTATIVE, ARE TO BE IDENTIFIED ON THE CONTACT FORM AS "PARTICIPANT ANESTHESIOLOGIST". The Anesthesiologist Participant signs the Schedule B anesthesiologist signature sheet below the Anesthesiologist Representative. The Data Warehouse permits more than one Anesthesiologist Participant per facility.

The **Primary Data and File Contact** receives all correspondence related to harvesting and reporting STS data. The Data Warehouse permits only one Primary Data and File Contact per facility.

The **Backup Data and File Contact** assists the Primary Data and File Contact with matters related to harvesting and reporting STS data. The Data Warehouse permits more than one Backup Data and File Contact per facility.

The **Data Quality Report Recipient** automatically receives the Data Quality Report (DQR) via email. The report provides information about the submitted data file and data that was accepted into the database, as well as any issues encountered with your data file or its submission. The Data Warehouse permits more than one Data Quality Report Recipient per facility. Due to the importance of the Data Quality Report, sites are encouraged to select *more than one* individual who can review the report for its accuracy.

The **National Report Recipient** is sent the Data Analyses Report of The Society of Thoracic Surgeons National Database for distribution to the site staff. The Data Warehouse permits only one National Report Recipient per facility. This recipient may share the report with any other contact at the site who needs it.

The **Billing Contact** is the individual to be invoiced for the calendar year participation fees. A valid mailing address and email address are <u>required</u>. The Data Warehouse permits <u>only one</u> Billing Contact per facility.

The **Billing Contact – Anesthesiologist Participant** is the individual to be invoiced for the special, supplemental calendar year fee for its Anesthesiologist Participant, when applicable. A valid mailing address and email address are <u>required</u>. The Data Warehouse permits <u>only one</u> Billing Contact – Anesthesiologist Participant per facility.

The **Contract Contact** handles the questions and concerns related to The Society of Thoracic Surgeons contractual issues. The Data Warehouse permits <u>only one</u> Contract Contact per facility.

The **Participant Generated Software (PGS) Developer** is defined as the programmer responsible for developing the facility's software, should the facility opt out of choosing an STS certified participant software vendor. The Data Warehouse permits <u>more than one</u> Participant Generated Software Developer per facility.

The **Participant Generated Software (PGS) Billing Contact** is the individual to be invoiced for the PGS fees outlined on the PGS Developer Agreement. The Data Warehouse permits <u>only one</u> Participant Generated Software (PGS) Billing Contact per facility.